



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Authorize Advertisement for Transportation Services for the Sandhill Crane Festival and Authorize Use of Buses Should No Alternate Provider Be Willing to Perform the Service

MEETING DATE: April 21, 2004

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council authorize advertisement for transportation services for the Sandhill Crane Festival and authorize the use of buses should no alternate provider be willing to perform the service.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: At its March 5, 2003, meeting, the City Council adopted policies and procedures for the use of transit services outside regular operations. Included in the adopted policy was specific language identifying the procedure for utilizing the City's transit services for public service events, including the Sandhill Crane Festival which is sponsored annually by the Chamber of Commerce in November.

The policy also calls for the City's Transportation Manager to advertise in the local newspapers, with the cost to be born by the applicant, to determine if any other operator is willing and/or able to perform the service. At the conclusion of the advertisement period (which shall be 2 weeks), should no alternate provider be willing to provide the service, the City's transit service may provide those services at the fully allocated rate. The current fully allocated rate (contract cost plus maintenance, etc.) is \$40 an hour per bus.

FUNDING: Funding for the advertisement shall be incurred by the applicant.

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Richard C. Prima, Jr.
Public Works Director

Prepared by Tiffani M. Fink, Transportation Manager

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APPROVED:

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H. Dixon Flynn, City Manager